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REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE

Cat. No. 4550L

Patent No. 1390199

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Date first licensed 12-8-48

Call letters WNL (Inadvertently assigned)

LOCATION: NEWPORT, KENTUCKY

ALBERT WILLI VONTZ (AL 5-31-72; EFF: 7-7-72)

Name of licensee TRI-CITY BROADCASTING COMPANY

At Cincinnati City Corporation Line, Delhi Ave.,  
Delhi Township, Ohio

x 3900 Delhi Avenue, Delhi Township, Ohio (BP 4-18-73)

Transmitter location x 1/2 mi. from junction of John's Hill Rd. and Alexandria Pike, approx.  
4 mi. South of Newport, Kentucky (MP 5-14-48) (Lic. 12-8-48)

740 Marina, Newport, Kentucky

x Stadium Marina, Foot of Columbia St., Newport, Ky. (MP 12-24-74)

Main studio location x 606 Monmouth Street, Newport, Kentucky (MP 5-14-48) (Lic. 12-8-48)



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
B2-P-4883	5-29-47	1110	1kw	Daytime	
	Order Issued. CP for a new station granted subj. to filing MP for approval T site and antenna.				
	Above action set aside and vacated 5-14-48.				
BMP-3619	5-14-48	740	1kw *	Daytime	7-14 1-14-49
	CP for a new station		*DA		
BL-3331	12-8-48	740	1kw* *DA	Daytime	12-8 11-1-49
	Lic. to cover CP (3619) for a new standard station.				
BR-2172	10-27-49	740	1kw-DA	Daytime	11-1 11-1-52
BTC-778	10-21-49	Vol. acquisition of control of licensee corp. thru sale of 106 shares of common stock by Richard J. Nesbitt to James G. Lang			
EFF:	11-11-49				
BR-2172	10-15-52	740kc	1kw-DA	Day	11-1 8-1-55
BR-2172	7-20-55	Renewal of license		8-1	8-1-58
BR-2172	7-16-58	Renewal of license		8-1	8-1-61
	7-26-61	Comm. deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-2172	4-30-62	740kc	1kw DA-D	Day	4-30 8-1-64
BR-2172	7-10-64	Renewal of License		8-1	8-1-67
BR-2172	7-18-67	740kc	1kw DA-D	Day	8-1 8-1-70
	(Renewal & memo)				
BR-2172(S)	8-20-70	Renewal			8-1-73
BAL-7522	5-31-72	Vol AL			
EBSA	6-12-72				
BP-19,384	4-18-73	740khz,	1kw DA	Day	4-18-74
	CP to chg. ant. transmitter loc., make chgs. in ant. sys.				
BR-2172(L)	7-31-73	RENEWAL			8-1-76
BMP-13,793	6-14-74	MP(BP-19,384) ext. time to 10-13-74			
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BMP-13,890	11-26-74	MP (BP-19384) ext. time to 4-13-75.			
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BC-126  
February 1974

Card 2

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From.. To.
BP-19384(3)	12-24-74	MP chg.	SL		
BS-2172(1)	12-24-74	ML chg.	SL		
BMP-13,950(4)	3-21-75	MP (BP-19,384,	as mod.)	ext. time to	10-13-75
BMP-14,060(5)	9-30-75	MP (BP-19,384	as mod.)	ext. time to	4-13-76
BMP-14,199 {6}	3-29-76	MP{BP-19384	as mod.}	to ext.	10-13-76
BMP-14207(1)	8-10-76	MP(BP-19384)	chg. MEQV's.		12-13-76
BR-2172 BL-14,220(L)	6-27-77	Renewal of License and Modification			8-1-79
BR-2172 BL-14,220(L)	6-27-77	superseded to correct studio & TL location obstruction marking & overall height			8-1-79
BR79033OVF (L)	7-18-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1-82



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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 Call ~~WWNL~~ (Inadvertently  
 Letters NEW assigned)

Name TRI-CITY BROADCASTING COMPANY  
 (P.O. Newport, Ky., Temp.- <sup>2</sup> Clarence H. Fleming, 1 Montrose Park, Frankfort, Ky.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B2-P-4883	4-26-46	Construction Permit for a new standard broad-	<del>Docket #7716--B-351</del>	
Rec'd	5-22-46	cast station to be operated on:	Granted 5-29-47 after	
Filed	5-22-46	Frequency: 1110 kc	hearing subj. filing	
		Power: 1kw	MP approval of site and	
		Hours of Operation: Daytime only.	<del>antenna:</del>	
		Trans. Location: To be determined - Newport,	DECISION AND ORDER	
		Kentucky.	ISSUED:	
		Studio Location: Same.	6-14-48 Pet. of Moraine	
		(Filed by Aaron Ford, Atty; Andy Ring, Engr.)	broadcasters, Inc., grant	
			and above action set	
			aside and vacated.	
			MEMO OPINION & ORDER	
			ISSUED	
			Application dismissed	
			without prejudice	
			7-16-48	
			Order Issued	



Gates BC-1E Transmitter



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TRI-CITY BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-3246	7-26-47	Mod. of C.P. (B2-P-4883, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (Raytheon RA-1000), for approval of antenna and transmitter location at Approx. 2 mi. NE of Newport, Kentucky, and to specify studio location as 606 Monmouth, Newport, Ky.  (Filed by A. D. Ring, Engr.) Aaron L. Ford, Atty.  Letter dated 12-11-47 from Atty. Ford re withdrawing as counsel	GRANTED	10-30-47
Rec'd	7-29-47		not issued	pending action
Filed	7-29-47		on pet. of	Moraine Broadcasters - See Action on Card #1.



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name TRI-CITY BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-3619 Rec'd Filed	2-4-48 2-6-48 2-11-48	Mod. of C.P. (B2-P-4883, as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change frequency from 1110kc to 740kc, install directional antenna for daytime only, and change transmitter location from Approx. 2 mi. N.E. of Newport, Kentucky to $\frac{1}{2}$ mi. from junction of John's Hill Road and Alexandria Pike, Approx. 4 miles S. Newport, Kentucky. Ralph L. Walker, Atty. Virginia R. Erwin, Engr.	GRANTED as a new station MEMO OPINION AND ORDER ISSUED	5-14-48
BL-3331 Rec'd Filed	8-17-48 8-19-48 8-19-48	License to cover C. P. (BMP-3619, <del>as mod.</del> ) which authorized a new standard broadcast station. Ralph L. Walker, Atty. Virginia R. Erwin, Engr.	GRANTED	12-8-48



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Letters **W N O P**Name **TRI-CITY BROADCASTING COMPANY**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-778 Rec'd Filed	6-6-49 6-8-49 6-8-49	Voluntary acquisition of control of licensee corporation thru sale of 106 shares of common stock by Richard J. Nesbitt to James G. Lang.  Ralph L. Walker, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	10-21-49 11-11-49
BR-2172 Rec'd Resub.	9-10-49 9-12-49 9-21-49	Renewal of license ( <del>Not signed by officer</del> ) Filed by Robert E. Hodson atty.	<del>Ret'd</del> GRANTED	<del>9-15-49</del> 10-27-49
BR-2172 Rec'd Filed	7-30-52 8-4-52 8-4-52	Renewal of License	GRANTED	10-15-52
BR-2172 Rec'd Filed	5-2-55 5-5-55 5-5-55	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-20-55



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W N O PName TRI-CITY BROADCASTING COMPANY  
NEWPORT, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2172 Rec'd Filed	5-1-58 5-7-58 5-7-58	Renewal of License Maurice R. Barnes, Attorney	GRANTED	7-16-58
BR-2172 Rec'd Filed	5-3-61 5-5-61 5-5-61	Renewal of License. Maurice R. Barnes, Atty.	GRANTED AND VETO	4-30-62
BTC-4179 Rec'd Filed	12-17-62 12-20-62 12-20-62	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from James C. Lang to Dean Miller Broadcasting Corporation.  Harry G. Sells, Atty.	DISMISSED Req. of applicant	3-20-63
BR-2172 Rec'd Filed	4-17-64 4-22-64 4-23-64	Renewal of license	GRANTED	7-10-64
BR-2172 R. & F.	4-27-67 5-5-67	Renewal of license	GRANTED and Memo dtd.	7-18-67 8-2-67
9-24-69	By Memorandum Opinions and Order. ORDERED to pay \$250 Forfeiture.			



APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

740kc

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Name TRI-CITY BROADCASTING COMPANY  
NEWPORT, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2172	4-29-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	8-20-70
R & F	4-30-70	AMENDED 8-10-70 re: programming		
\$75 #597507	"			
PN Recd.	"			
PRESS	JUN 2 1970			
11-17-71. Now represented by Ellis J. Parker, III, 1502 So. 17th St., Birmingham, Ala. 35205. Telephone: 205-933-2316 or 301-652-8350. // Or 4900 Auburn Ave., Bethesda, Md. 20014 (Ala) (Md)				
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BAL-7522	2-8-72	Voluntary assignment of license to	GRANTED	5-31-72
R & F	2-10-72	ALBERT WILLI VONTZ (SEE OVER)	Req. grant fee \$3,000.00	
FEE PD: \$1000 #040483			Eff: 7-7-72	
CODE 047	FEB 18 1972		Grant Fee Paid:	
			048, 7-12-72 W 090202	

F. C. C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.



RE: BAL-7522 - re assignor - Par. 8(a,b,c,) not fully  
answered; ~~Exhibitor~~, Dates not shown Table II; Exh. 1?? (bal  
sheet not complete); Proj. bal sheet not sub., Sec VI nec.  
AMENDED 4-17-72 - Programming data; (survey) Bal. sheet  
(reply to ltr 3-17-72)  
AMENDED 5-17-72 - Sec IV-A & VI filed (assignor)

PHASE 1 REFUND ACTION

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name ALBERT WILLI VONTZ  
NEWPORT, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-19,384 Rec'd Filed \$50-159111 AC-060 PRESS:	3-3-73 3--5-73 3-5-73 3-5-73	Construction permit to change antenna-transmitter site to 3900 Delhi Avenue, Delhi Township, Ohio and make changes in the antenna system. 39° 05' 41" 84° 34' 59"	GRANTED	4-18-73
Amended 3-26-73 re supplemental engineering data, ground pattern, & horizontal pattern.		Atty. Ellis J. Parker, III (Upper Marlboro)		
BR-2172 R & F PN PRESS JUN 7 1973	4-18-73 4-27-73 4-27-73	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-31-73
BMP-13,793 R & F \$50-303017 PRESS:	4-9-74 5-9-74 5-13-74	MP(BP-19,384) ext. time to 10-13-74. (Changes)		
Atty: Ellis J. Parker III MAY 29 1974			GRANTED TO	6-14-74 10-13-74



PHASE 1 REFUND ACTION

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Aug. 1955

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Letters W N O PName Albert Willi Vontz  
Newport, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	<u>Action</u>	
			Nature	Date
BMP-13,890 Received Filed \$50-360470 AC-056 PRESS NOV 14 1974	10-9-74 10-9-74 11-4-74 11-4-74	MP(BP-19384) ext. time to 4-13-75. (Changes)	GRANTED ext. to	11-26-74 4-13-75
BMP-14,207 Rec'd Filed \$50-366858 AC-056 JUN 15 1976	11-20-74 11-22-74 11-22-74 11-22-74	Modification of construction permit (BP-19,384, as Mod.) to make changes in MEOV's on DA pattern.	GRANTED	8-10-76
BMP-13,950 R & F \$50-396505 AC-056 JUN 11 1975	2-24-75 2-25-75 2-25-75	MP(BP-19,384, as mod.) ext. of completion date to _____ (changes)	GRANTED to	3-21-75 10-13-75



PHASE 1 REFUND ACTION

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Name ALBERT WILLI VONTZ  
Newport, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-14,060 R & F \$100-475553 AC:001 PRESS: <u>Feb 19 1975</u>	9-4-75 9-9-75 9-9-75	Mod. of CP (BP-19,384 as mod.) for extension of completion date to _____.	GRANTED	9-30-75
<u>LTR</u>	10-8-75	ATTY: HALEY, <u>BADER</u> & POTTS		
BMP-14,159 R & F \$100-540913 AC:001 PRESS: <u>MAR 18 1976</u>	3-5-76 3-11-76 3-11-76	Mod. of CP (BP-19,384 as mod.) to extend completion date to _____  Atty: Michael Bader	GRANTED to	3-29-76 10-13-76
BR-2172 R & F PN PRESS <u>MAY 28 1976</u>	3-17-76 4-1-76 4-1-76	Renewal of license Atty- Michael H. Bader	GRANTED issued with BL-14,220	6-27-77



PHASE - RETURN ACTION

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May 1976

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

740khz

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Call  
Letters W N O PName ALBERT WILLI VONTZ  
Newport, Kentucky

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-14,220 R & F \$100#618726 Amend Amend Amend	9-16-76 9-28-76 9-29-76 10-4-76 - engr. data 4-28-76 - additional engr. data 5-10-77 additional engr. data	Lic. to cover BP-19,384 for changes  Atty: Michael H. Bader	GRANTED issued with RENEWAL	6-27-77
PRESS MAY 19 1977				
BR790330VF PRESS APR 20 1979		Renewal of License Atty. Michael H. Bader	GRANTED	7-18-79
BRC 810811AH PRESS(0) AUG 25 1981		Mod. of Lic. to chng.SL to: Foot of Columbia St., Newport, KY., & operate trans.by Remote Control from Proposed SL. Atty: Michael H. Bader		



PHASE 1 REFUND ACTION

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## About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form – 3" by 5" filing cards – for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). The History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

